GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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GUIDANCE TO FOREIGN TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) Whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Special Police for Tourists` appearing in Hindu dated November 12, 2001;

(b) if so, the number of incidents cheating/duping of tourists reported during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government have any proposal to set up tourists Delhi Police to guide foreign/domestic tourists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) : The Central Government has requested the State Governments to have preventive tourism legislation and set up Tourist Police to specially safeguard the security of the tourists. State Governments like Jammu & Kashmir, Rajasthan, Goa, Kerala, Himachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh etc. have set up Tourist Police. Some other State Governments are considering introduction of such legislation.

(b): As per the information available the number of tourist complaints received from tourists during the last three years is as under :-

Year	No. of Complaints
1998	100
1999	103
2000	35

(c) and (d) : Tourism Department of Government of NCT of Delhi has taken up with the Commissioner of Police, Delhi to set up a Cell of Delhi Tourist Police to provide security and safety to foreign and domestic tourists in Delhi.